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## GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the LORD, O my soul  
all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

**Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.**

Praise the LORD, you his angels,  
you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word.

**Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts,  
you his servants who do his will.**

**Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion.**

**Praise the LORD, O my soul.**

*Psalm 103*

## INVOCATION

### SONGS OF PRAISE

#### *Psalm 117A*

Tune: *All Creatures Great and Small*

#### *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,  
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;  
'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow'r of reigning sin, he sets the pris'ner free;  
his blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.

He speaks and, list'n'ing to his voice, new life the dead receive;  
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosen'd tongues employ;  
ye blind, behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1739; Tune: AZMAN C.M.; Carl G. Glaser 1784-1829

Arranger: Lowell Mason 1829

#### *Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken*

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God;  
He, Whose word cannot be broken, formed thee for His own abode  
On the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded, Thou mayst smile at all thy foes.

See the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love.  
Well supply Thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove.  
Who can faint while such a river ever flows their thirst to t'assuage?  
race which like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear  
For a glory and a cov'ring, showing that the Lord is near:  
Thus deriving from their banner light by day and shade by night.  
Safe they feed upon the manna that He gives them when they pray.

Savior, if of Zion's city, I, through grace, a member am,  
Let the world deride or pity, I will glory in Thy Name  
Fading is the worldling's pleasure, all his boasted pomp and show;  
Solid joys and lasting treasure none but Zion's children know.

John Newton, 1779; Music: AUSTRIAN HYMN, Franz Joseph Haydn, 1797t.

## GOD'S LAW AND OUR CONFESSION

And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

—*Ephesians. 5:18-21*

Lord, we come to you for forgiveness.

**We have professed “Jesus is Lord” with our mouth but declare  
“I am Lord” with our actions.**

**Instead of using your gracious blessings to build up  
and serve one another, we have used them selfishly.  
Forgive us for our pride, arrogance and vanity.**

Lord, we come to you for mercy.

**You have given us all things, and we have squandered your gifts.  
Forgive us, for we have valued your gifts  
instead of You who gives all good things.  
Restore to us a unity in spirit where all we have,  
do, and say is for the glory of Christ.**

## SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Galatians 3:13-14

And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

### PROFESSION OF FAITH

Christians, what do you believe?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand  
of God the Father almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### CHILDREN'S SERMON

### RECEPTION OF OFFERINGS

#### PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts,  
As we forgive our debtors. and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil: for yours is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### HYMN OF PREPARATION

#### *His Robes for Mine*

His robes for mine: Oh wonderful exchange!  
Clothed in my sin, God suffered 'neath God's rage.  
Draped in His righteousness, I'm justified.  
In Christ I live, for in my place He died.

#### Chorus

I cling to Christ, and marvel at the cost:  
Jesus forsaken, and God estranged from God.  
Bought by such love, my life is not my own:  
My praise—my all—shall be for Christ alone.

His robes for mine: What cause have I for dread?  
God's daunting law Christ mastered in my stead.  
Faultless I stand, with righteous works not mine,  
Saved by my Lord's vicarious death and life. *Chorus*

His robes for mine: God's justice is appeased.  
Jesus is crushed, and thus the Father's pleased.  
Christ drank God's wrath on sin, then cried, "Tis done!"  
Sin's wage is paid; propitiation won. *Chorus*

His robes for mine: such anguish none can know.  
Christ, God's beloved, condemned as though His foe.  
He, as though I, accursed and left alone;  
I, as though He, embraced and welcomed home! *Chorus*

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### SCRIPTURE READING

Malachi 2:1-9

*Pew Bible p.801*

This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

"Priestly Speech"

Pastor Ian Hard

### HYMN OF RESPONSE\*

#### *Gloria Patri*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen. Amen.

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### CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

*If you are following along at home, please refrain from taking  
Communion as it is a form of worship meant to be celebrated  
in the physical presence of the body of Christ.*

## HYMN OF SENDING

### *Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder*

Let us love and sing and wonder let us praise the Savior's name  
He has hushed the law's loud thunder He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame  
He has washed us with His blood (3xs)  
He has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us pitied us when enemies  
Called us by His grace and taught us gave us ears and gave us eyes  
He has washed us with His blood (3xs)  
He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing though fierce temptation threatens hard to bear us down  
For the Lord our strong salvation holds in view the conqu'ror's crown  
He who washed us with His blood (3xs)  
Soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder grace and justice, join and point to mercy's store  
When through grace in Christ our trust is justice smiles and asks no more  
He who washed us with His blood (3xs)  
Has secured our way to God.

Let us praise and join the chorus of the saints enthroned on high  
Here they trusted Him before us now their praises fill the sky  
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood (3xs)  
Thou art worthy Lamb of God.

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### **Sermon OUTLINE:** Priestly Speech

What the Passage Says About God

What the Passage Says About Us

What the Passage Says About Jesus